

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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Fifth Circuit

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No. 08-20424  
Conference Calendar

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Charles R. Fulbruge III  
Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff-Appellee

v.

JAVIER BOTELLO-GARCIA

Defendant-Appellant

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Southern District of Texas  
USDC No. 4:07-CR-370-1

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Before SMITH, BENAVIDES, and HAYNES, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

The attorney appointed to represent Javier Botello-Garcia has moved for leave to withdraw and has filed a brief in accordance with *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Botello-Garcia has filed a response. Our independent review of the record, counsel's brief, and Botello-Garcia's response discloses no nonfrivolous issue for appeal. The record is insufficiently developed to allow consideration at this time of Botello-Garcia's claims of ineffective assistance of counsel; such claims generally "cannot be resolved on direct appeal when [they

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\* Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

have] not been raised before the district court since no opportunity existed to develop the record on the merits of the allegations.” *United States v. Cantwell*, 470 F.3d 1087, 1091 (5th Cir. 2006) (internal quotation marks and citation omitted). Accordingly, counsel’s motion for leave to withdraw is GRANTED, counsel is excused from further responsibilities herein, and the APPEAL IS DISMISSED. *See* 5TH CIR. R. 42.2.